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Senate Resolution 745

By: Senators Harbison of the 15th and Harp of the 29th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of Mr. Charlie Harper; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Charlie Harper, local golf legend, passed away at the age of 85; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Mr. Harper was golf pro at the Country Club of Columbus for 33 years, and his
- 4 pallbearers were representative of the scores of players he tutored over the years, many of
- 5 whom carry his trademark swing; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was by nature a shy man, but he was as aggressive as they come on the golf
- 7 course, and after returning from the Second World War he dominated the courses as a
- 8 professional golfer before leaving the uncertain life of a golf pro to work as a salesman; and
- 9 WHEREAS, after serving as head pro at the Fort Benning Golf course he became only the
- 10 third pro at the Country Club of Columbus, taking over a course recently damaged by a
- 11 tornado and bringing it up to top level condition; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was inducted into the Georgia Golf Hall of Fame in 2005; and
- 13 WHEREAS, although he is now gone from the courses his sweet swing, and more
- importantly his sportsmanship, live on in the golfers he influenced.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 16 express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of Mr. Charlie Harper, and
- 17 convey condolences to his family and friends.
- 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 19 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Charlie Harper.